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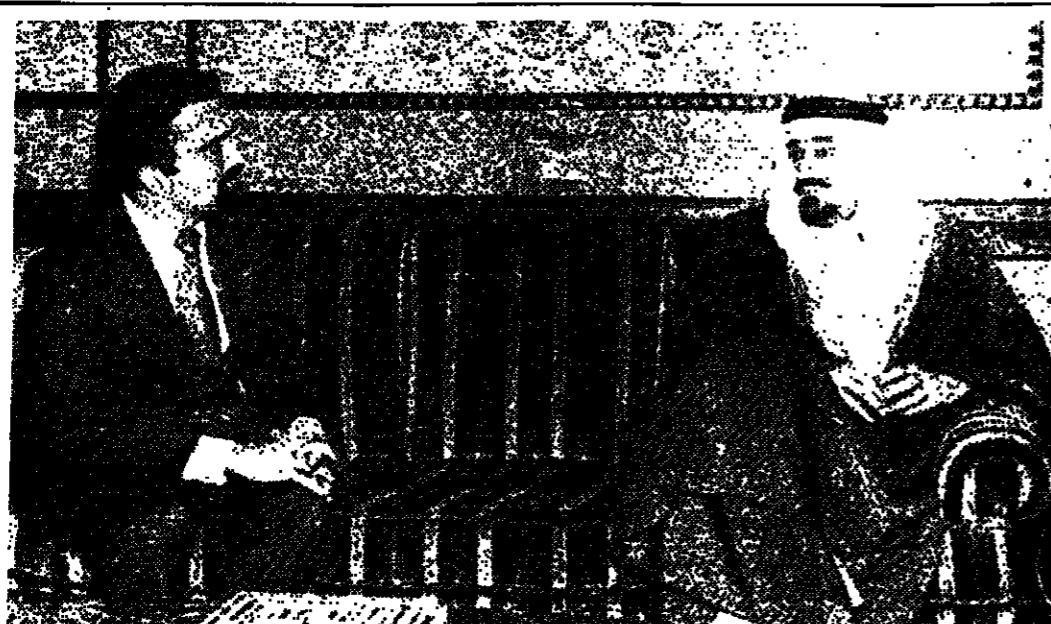
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JORDAN VISITOR: King Khaled receives Jordan's Crown Prince Hassan Sunday.

Khaled receives Arab officials

RIYADH, Dec. 10 (SPA) — Jordan's Crown Prince Hassan and Prime Minister Modhar Badran were received by King Khaled here Sunday.

Prince Hassan visited the country for one day to congratulate King Khaled on his recovery from a recent illness. He left Riyadh the same day for Amman via Media to pray at the Prophet's mosque.

King Khaled also received the Iraqi Minister of Housing and members of the ruling Revolutionary Command Council Taha Yassin Ramadhan who, according to the Iraqi News Agency, exchanged views with Saudi leaders on the developments in the Arab world following last month's summit in Bagdad.

The King also received the Tunisian Information Minister Stazli Al-Qulabi Sunday who

conveyed to the monarch the best wishes of President Habib Bourguiba.

The Tunisian minister will attend the meetings of the special committee formed by the

Islamic Secretariat to prepare a program for the advent of the 15th Century of the Hijra which marked the departure of Prophet Muhammad from Mecca to Medina.

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Cabinet discusses UAE-Saudi accord

RIYADH, Dec. 10 (SPA) — The Council of Ministers Sunday discussed a report on a co-operation agreement between Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates submitted by Minister of Finance and National Economy, Sheikh Muhammad Abu Al-Khalil.

The cabinet meeting was chaired by Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard, Prince Abdulla.

Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani said the agreement aims at promoting trade and development projects between the two countries and is similar to accords signed with Qatar and Kuwait.

Sheikh Abu Al-Khalil said that the agreement grants reciprocal rights and privileges to citizens of both countries in investment of capital.

The Council also reviewed a report by Prince Mit'eb, minister of public works and housing on new projects in Mina, the pilgrimage site, and approved requests made by the minister.

The Council emphasized the importance of carrying out all the special projects in the pilgrimage sites so that pilgrims can perform their duties with ease and comfort.

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Lebanon

politicians

call on

Shaeer

BEIRUT, Dec. 10 (SPA) — Lebanese Prime Minister Dr. Salim Hoss Saturday called on Saudi Ambassador Sheikh Ali Shaeer at the American University Hospital.

Shaeer was slightly wounded Friday by shrapnel in his right leg when his helicopter was machinegunned by right-wing militiamen near Jounieh, 16 kms north of Beirut.

Minister of Defense and Foreign Affairs Fuad Butros Sunday made a similar visit.

A larger number of Lebanese politicians and prominent personalities visited the hospital.

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Habash calls for confrontation to liberate occupied territory

BEIRUT, Dec. 10 (Agencies) — Radical Palestinian leader George Habash Sunday called for a direct confrontation with Israel to liberate all occupied Arab territories.

Dr. Habash, chief of the hard-line Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), told a rally here that the Arab world had the military strength to defeat the Jewish state, despite what he termed "the surrender policies of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat."

Habash said the victories of progressive forces in Vietnam, Cuba, Angola and Mo-

zambique gave the Palestinians confidence "of ultimately defeating Israel and its imperialist supporters."

He repeatedly condemned President Sadat's peace initiative, saying Egypt had exposed the Arab world to "the Zionist cancer."

PFLP officials said he was restating the Front's firm rejection of any negotiated agreement to grant the Palestinians self-determination in only limited areas of their homeland.

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Feared showdown averted in Iran

TEHRAN, Dec. 10 (Agencies) — Hundreds of thousands of anti-Shah demonstrators marched through downtown Tehran Sunday in a massive peaceful rally to show their opposition to the monarch.

The army estimated 300,000 persons paraded down Shahreza Avenue, one of the city's main boulevards.

March organizers claimed up to 2 million joined what they termed "a referendum in the streets" to show Iranians want the Shah to step down.

The seething mass of protesters virtually took over the center of Tehran for the day. Thousands of troops backed by tanks withdrew before dawn to the outskirts to avoid provoking a bloody confrontation.

The army ringed the downtown section with roadblocks and several military helicopters hovered above the march that ended in Shabday Square near the airport.

There was no trouble during the six-hour march, despite warnings by army commanders that extremists planned to infiltrate it and trigger a bloodbath between protesters and troops.

Iran's military prime minister, Gen. Gholamreza Azhari, lifted a martial law ban on political processions two days ago and permitted the march in a bid to head off bloodshed.

Opposition sources claimed huge marches were also held Sunday in the holy city of Mashhad in northeast Iran, Tabriz in the northwest and a halfdozen other provincial centers.

The Tehran march was the biggest street demonstration against the 59-year-old Shah since his political and religious foes launched their campaign to oust him 11 months ago.

Message to Palace

"No blood was spilled," said an official of the National Front, the main political group opposed to the Shah.

"Today we proved that the opposition is more than just a bunch of hotheads and dissidents, as the Shah's people claim. The message we sent to the palace today cannot be ignored. He has to listen or risk a bloodbath."

The marches followed weeks of bloody clashes in which scores of persons have been killed and hundreds wounded.

Despite the non-violence and discipline of Sunday's demonstration, the violence was expected to continue, Ayatullah Massabi of Mashhad, one of the most militant religious leaders, told his followers during Sunday's march: "We have shown we want an end to dictatorship and foreign imperialism... We must finish them."

The march was led part of the way by its organizer, Ayatullah Telegani and National Front leader Dr. Karim Sanjabi, both of whom have been jailed for opposing the Shah in recent months.

Telegani, from whose own home the demonstration began, said it was called "to determine the fate of the Iranian nation."

The orderly ranks of marchers snaked along Shahreza Avenue—named after the monarch's father who founded the Pahlavi Dynasty in 1923—past burned-out movie theaters and banks gutted in earlier violence.

The marchers kept up a cacophony of chants led by mullahs, with bullhorns. Sanjabi was mobbed by followers and sprinkled with Persian perfume as a sign of respect by the chanting crowd.

Men and women, some carrying children, wept as marchers passed carrying gruesome color blowups of alleged victims of army gunfire.

Marchers held high banners hailing Ayatullah Khomeini, the 78-year-old religious leader and mastermind of the anti-Shah campaign from exile in Paris.

One banner read: "Khomeini is the leader of Iran."

Other marchers carried anti-Western banners, one crudely written in chalk read "Yankees go home."

Westerners, especially Americans, have become the symbol to anti-Shah forces of foreign support for the Shah.

Westerners Fly

Anti-Western hostility, including firebomb attacks on Westerners' homes, has touched off a mass exodus of foreigners. Some 9,000, two-thirds of them U.S. nationals, have fled Iran since September.

Ten hours before Sunday's march began, U.S. Air Force C-141 transport planes flew out some 980 dependents of American servicemen based in Iran. Other planes took out some 190 dependents of U.S. Embassy personnel.

The airlift continued from the Iranian airbase at Tehran's airport after it was closed for two days for the high holiday during the peak of Muhamarram.

Sanjabi in a strong statement said Sunday's march was a clear message by the Iranian people to the Shah.

"To disregard this firm demand of the Iranian people will certainly cause great danger to the stability of Iran and the whole region," Sanjabi said.

He described the "nationwide protest marches as a glorious and unprecedented demonstration... expressing the firm decision to put an end to the... regime."

He said the demonstration "was also the best evidence that force cannot stop this national movement. All the people

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Sadat, Begin renew pledge to achieve Mideast peace

OSLO, Dec. 10 (Agencies)

— President Anwar Sadat of Egypt and Israeli Premier Menachem Begin pledged themselves to Middle East peace when the 1978 Nobel Peace Prize was formally presented to them Sunday inside a 14th century castle ringed by police sharpshooters.

Outside the Akershus fortress overlooking Oslo Fjord, pro-Palestinian demonstrators chained themselves to railings. (See story on page 3)

Sadat did not come to Oslo for the Nobel award ceremony but sent Sayed Marei, a personal aide, to represent him.

Officials chose the thick-walled fortress for the ceremony on security grounds, breaking a 78-year tradition of holding it in Oslo University.

Both Sadat and Begin in their acceptance speeches warmly praised President Carter for calling the Camp David conference which produced a draft framework for an Egyptian-Israeli settlement.

Begin said the Camp David document could be the start of a treaty putting an end to hostility and war. "It could serve as the first indispensable

step along the road towards a comprehensive peace in our region," he said.

"I trust that you all know that when I made my historic trip to Jerusalem my aim was not to strike a deal as some politicians do."

"I made my trip because I am convinced that we owe it to this generation and the generations to come, not to leave a stone unturned in our pursuit of peace," he said.

During his conception of peace, he said: "The true essence of peace which ensures its stability and durability, is justice."

"Any peace not built on justice and on the recognition of the rights of the peoples, would be a structure of sand which would crumble under the first blow."

Sadat said the goal of bringing security to the peoples of the Middle East, especially the Palestinians, was moving gradually closer.

He described peace as invisible. "To endure, it should be comprehensive and engulf all the parties in the conflict."

Peace was closely linked to

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Vance meets Sadat to revive stalled M.E. peace negotiations

CAIRO, Dec. 10 (Agencies)

— Secretary of State Cyrus Vance met Sunday with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat in an effort to break the deadlock in Mideast peace talks.

"Neither President Sadat nor the secretary has anything to say Sunday night," U.S. spokesman George Sherman said after the 90-minute meeting at the Egyptian leader's Nile side home 15 miles north of Cairo.

The American secretary was scheduled to meet with acting Egyptian Foreign Minister Butros Ghali Monday morning before a second round of talks with Sadat and his top aides.

An open-ended shuttle mission — after attending the funeral of former Israeli Prime Minister Gold Meir Tuesday morning — seemed on the horizon to break the deadlock in the Mideast talks.

There was speculation that Vance would try to persuade Sadat to send a top-level official to Israel in a move to revive direct talks.

A senior U.S. official said Vance faced "tough sledding" in trying to gain a settlement by next Sunday, the end of the three month negotiating period set in the Camp David agreement.

Looking for new approaches, he had breakfast in London with Senate Democratic leader Robert Byrd of West Virginia. Byrd was returning from a trip to Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Syria and Iran.

Vance met separately afterward with Sen. Jacob K. Javits, R.N.Y., who had talks with Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin on his own

trip to the Middle East.

Ambassador Alfred L. Atherton Jr., the top ranked Middle East specialist at the State Department, did not accompany Vance. Atherton flew home with word of the death of his mother, Mrs. Joan Atherton, 88, of Miami, Fla.

In a statement upon his arrival in Cairo, Vance said he is "particularly looking forward to talks with President Anwar Sadat at which he will discuss peace negotiations".

"Our common goal is a comprehensive peace and the early conclusion of the discussions between Egypt and Israel as an important step on the road toward a comprehensive and lasting peace," he said.

Staff shortage is main obstacle to health system, minister says

By A. Staff Reporter

JEDDAH, Dec. 10 — within five to six years Saudi Arabia will be providing health care equivalent to that in Europe and the United States, Health Minister Dr. Hussein Al-Jazairi was quoted as saying Sunday.

In an interview with "Asharq Al-Awsat" newspaper in London, the minister said that health care in Saudi Arabia needed "time and manpower, of which the country is critically short."

But he said Saudi Arabia had made a considerable progress already. "Certainly, by the end of the Third Five-Year Plan in 1983, we will have reached our target for hospital beds and should have eliminated communicable diseases."

Shortage

Complaints about Saudi medical services are not due to their poor quality but to their shortage, the minister said.

Fund commits

SR100m for

Yemen scheme

RIYADH, Dec. 10 (SPA) — The Saudi Fund for Development (SFD) will grant North Yemen a long-term loan of SR100 million to help finance a water supply and drainage project of Taiz, twin capital of the country.

The loan agreement was signed Sunday by the chairman of Yemen's General Organization for Water Supply and Drainage, Yahya Al-Arabi and Dr. Khaled Abdulla Al-Mansoud for the fund.

The project will increase drinking water supplies and construct a complete new drainage network.

Arabi said the loan brought Saudi assistance for the execution of Yemen's five year plan to a total of SR304 million.

The Taiz project will cost SR290 million of which the United States International Development Aid agency will contribute SR35 million and the Abu Dhabi Arab Economic Development Fund SR36 million.



IN LONDON: Dr. Hussein Al-Jazairi

within the Kingdom.

JEDDAH, Dec. 10 — Governor of Mecca Prince Fawaz will open the Dr. Sulaiman Faqih Hospital here next Sunday "Al-Medina" newspaper reported Sunday.

The hospital on Palestine road has taken over two years in construction and has been praised for its planning and sophisticated equipment.

The University of 'Ain Shams of Cairo has recognized it as a university hospital since a number of university professors of medical science will work at the new hospital. Doctors working at the Faqih hospital will carry out medical research and present their findings for doctoral examinations.

Meanwhile, the radiology center at the new Maternity and Children's Hospital in Jeddah has begun receiving patients from government and private hospitals and will soon receive patients from Gulf countries. "Al-Bilad" reported Sunday.

The center is equipped for color X-rays and tissue analysis and has facilities for precise examination of the intestines and digestive system. The new instruments will be capable of diagnosing the digestive system.

The center was set up on the initiative of King Faisal, who was impressed with a similar unit during a visit to the main hospital in Tokyo six years ago.

There are 67 hospitals in the Kingdom, the minister said, but a number of these need alterations to ministry specifications and many need new equipment.

The Kingdom is still well short of its target of a clinic for every 300 persons, "but we are well on our way. We have opened a number of hospitals, including the King Faisal Specialist Hospital with a special heart unit which carries out an average of seven operations of great difficulty a week," he said.

The ministry has also launched programs to combat malaria and bilharzia, and Jazairi said he expected the diseases to be under control within four years.

Bright

The minister repeated that the government was committed to providing health care as a right to Saudis and non-Saudi residents alike. The number of patients sent to London and elsewhere at government expense has dropped, he said, as the facilities have improved.

Jeddah drivers show patience

JEDDAH, Dec. 10 — In a rare demonstration of respect for traffic light signals, 320 cars waited for 30 minutes before a faulty red light signal in Jeddah.

"Okaz" said Sunday that the bewildered policeman manning the intersection at Prince Fahd Street discovered the long line of cars and the unusual waiting-time Saturday and finally decided to let traffic to let the cars go.

On arrival Saturday Mina had talks with Petroleum Governor Dr. Abdul Hadi Taher, SPA said.

It gave no details but ob-

servers believe the talks concerned Saudi supplies of crude to make up for the fall in Iranian production, crippled by two strikes in rapid succession.

Iranian production was reported Saturday to be running at 2.7 million barrels a day under half the average off-take of nearly 6 million b/d reported Sunday. The project before the strikes.

Oil industry sources said at the beginning of the month that Saudi Arabia had increased production to over 10 million b/d compared to an October average of 8.9 million b/d. The increase consisted in increased off-takes of Arabian heavy to supply the shortfall in customers' demand for the predominantly heavy Iranian crudes.

At the same time, the municipality intends to increase its efforts to ensure contractors clear their sites on completion of building work. Funds have also been allocated for the compulsory purchase and demolition of buildings in southern Jeddah for municipal garbage dumps. These will be

Local Briefs

• RIYADH, (SPA) — King Khaled has cabled his congratulations to Tunku Yahya Putra Ibu Al-Mazraou Sultan Ibrahim, head of state of Malaysia, on his birthday.

• JEDDAH, — An office is to be opened in Umm Al-Joud to supervise the execution of the master plan of King Abdul Aziz University in Mecca, "Al-Medina" newspaper reported Sunday. The project

consists of a closed-circuit television center for women students, laboratories and departments of education and Islamic Law.

• JEDDAH, — The Philanthropic Society of the South is to build a charitable hospital on a 100,000 sq. meters of land in Jassan on the Abha to Khaniah road, "Al-Medina" said Sunday.

Municipality says

Face-lift for south Jeddah planned

JEDDAH, Dec. 10 (SPA) — Jeddah Municipality intends to launch a new program to improve the appearance of southern Jeddah, a senior city official said Sunday.

The campaign includes the planting of trees and shrubs, cleaning and spraying operations and rounding up animals straying in the streets.

Hussein Mounimah, director of Jeddah Municipality (South) said that trees are to be planted along Riyadh Street, Mina Road, in areas south of the airport and in front of the Khuzam Palace and the water tower. Lawns and flower beds are also planned, he said.

To improve traffic movement, four multi-storey car parks will be constructed and several streets resurfaced.

Cleaning

Asked about cleaning operations, Mounimah said that the municipality had increased the number of street cleaners for southern Jeddah from 1,000 to 1,200 and would issue them with uniforms and automatic sweeping-machines. New insecticide-sprayers had also been bought, he said.

At the same time, the municipality intends to increase its efforts to ensure contractors clear their sites on completion of building work. Funds have also been allocated for the compulsory purchase and demolition of buildings in southern Jeddah for municipal garbage dumps. These will be

walled round and sealed, he said.

Strays

In addition, the livestock market at Kilo One Mecca

Road is to be resited further from the city center and the municipality intends to launch a campaign to clear the streets of stray animals.

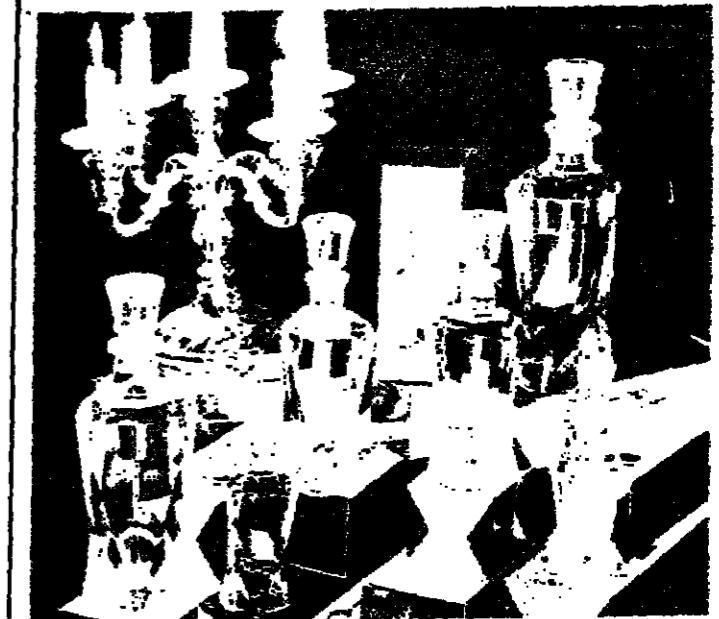
Narcotics unit impounded large dope haul at Hajj

JEDDAH, Dec. 10 — The Narcotics Squad of the Ministry of the Interior impounded large quantities of hashish and opium in Mecca and Medina during the pilgrimage. "Al-Riyad" reported Sunday.

After a tip-off and the discovery of a cache of narcotics in Medina, the squad traced

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Kuwaiti, Qatari leaders review ties, Gulf issues

DOHA, Dec. 10 (AP) — Kuwaiti Crown Prince Sheikh Saad al-Abdullah al-Sabah conferred here Sunday with Qatar's Crown Prince and Defense Minister Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa al-Thani, the Qatar News Agency reported.

At the end of the session, Crown Prince Hamad told reporters, "we reviewed all problems that concerned our two countries and our Gulf area, and I am happy to say that the talks were fruitful."

Saad, who also is Kuwait's prime minister, is on a tour of Arab Gulf states.

Israel, three African states violate human rights--Assad

DAMASCUS, Dec. 10 (R) — Syrian President Hafez Assad Sunday criticized Israel, South Africa, Rhodesia and Zambia for violating human rights.

In a cable addressed to United Nations Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, President As-

Two Iranians executed in Abu Dhabi

ABU DHABI, Dec. 10 (R) — Two Iranians convicted of murder were shot by firing squad here Sunday in the first public execution since the United Arab Emirates (UAE) was created seven years ago.

The two men were named by the official Emirates News Agency as Abdul Ali Zada and Hamad Muhammed Nasser.

Both were convicted of pre-meditated murder after pleading guilty, the first to deliberately running over his father-in-law, fellow Iranian Ali Gholam Bashad with a lorry in January and the second to shooting to death an Omani national Murad, Bashir Muhammad Suleiman, it added.

A communiqué was issued in Bahrain Saturday night as Saad wound up a visit to that island emirate. The communiqué said the two Gulf states had agreed to establish a ministerial committee to meet every four months to review

consolidation of relations between Kuwait and Bahrain.

Both sides expressed the desire to coordinate their economies, customs taxes, trading companies, joint projects, air travel and border regulations to permit entry of citizens of both countries to Bahrain and Kuwait with identity cards.



President Assad

and "human rights were being violated in the racist and fascist regimes in Israel, South Africa, Rhodesia, and Zambia. "People cannot accept oppression and the result is that explosive and dangerous situations are bound to exist in many parts of the world."

The cable marked the 30th anniversary of the world declaration of human rights.

Earlier Saturday the Syrian deputy premier and foreign minister, Abdul-Halim Khaddam, ruled out full coopera-

S. Yemenis vote for council members Saturday

tion between the European Common Market and Arab states unless the EEC supported the just Arab cause.

Opening the fourth session of the Euro-Arab dialogue, Khaddam said: "No full solidarity is possible unless each of the two groups cooperate in both good and evil and the European community understands and supports the just Arab cause."

He said the EEC nine were in a strong position to demand a total Israeli withdrawal from territories occupied in the 1967 Middle East war and the recognition of Palestinian rights.

Officials said there were 175 candidates for election to the council.

The polls will be open for three days when voters will have to choose 111 members of the country's higher people's council.

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Pro-Palestine protest in Oslo

OSLO, Dec. 10 (R) — A group of anti-Israeli demonstrators, spattered with red paint to simulate blood, chained themselves to the entrance of Akershus Castle where Israeli Premier Menachem Begin was to receive the Nobel peace prize Sunday.

Norwegian police with rifles slung over their shoulders cut the chain and bundled the group of 10 youths into a police van 15 minutes before the military helicopter bringing Begin to the ceremony was due to land 200 yards away.

Several hundred demonstrators gathered within sight of the castle by the time the prizes were presented inside.

Waving Palestinian flags, they chanted "Begin - Terrorist."

The group of youths wore Arab headresses and military style clothing. As they chained themselves to railings at the approach to the castle they threw off coats revealing faces and hands smeared with red paint.

Earlier Sunday, two Arabs burst through controllers on

'Begin-Terrorist'

The group, some of them girls, raised their hands in a two-fingered victory salute as police rapidly closed in and clipped the chains.

As the still-resisting group were being bundled off, other demonstrators in the area released balloons carrying the Palestinian flag.

Police had banned demonstrations around the castle but were permitting an orderly protest march by Palestinian organizations Sunday afternoon in another part of Oslo.

Sunday morning, near the castle, another group unfurled a large banner reading "No Peace without Justice for the Palestinian People."

One of the demonstrators, American-born Norwegian Mark Chapman, said at least three different groups were involved in protests around the castle. "The Nobel Peace Prize is a Mockery," he said.

Earlier Sunday, two Arabs burst through controllers on

Holland, Syria open talks

DAMASCUS, Dec. 10 (AP) — Visiting Dutch Foreign Minister Christiaan Albert Van der Klaauw opened official talks Sunday with Abdul Halim Khaddam, his Syrian counterpart, Damascus radio reported.

The radio said Khaddam outlined Syria's opposition to the Camp David agreements between Egypt and Israel, describing them as impediments to Middle East peace.

Khaddam, the report said, expressed satisfaction with the development of relations between Syria and the Netherlands and said Van der Klaauw's visit afforded a good opportunity to consolidate those relations.

The Dutch minister, in turn, briefed Khaddam on European Common Market views on the Middle East problem, including the Palestinian question, the radio said.

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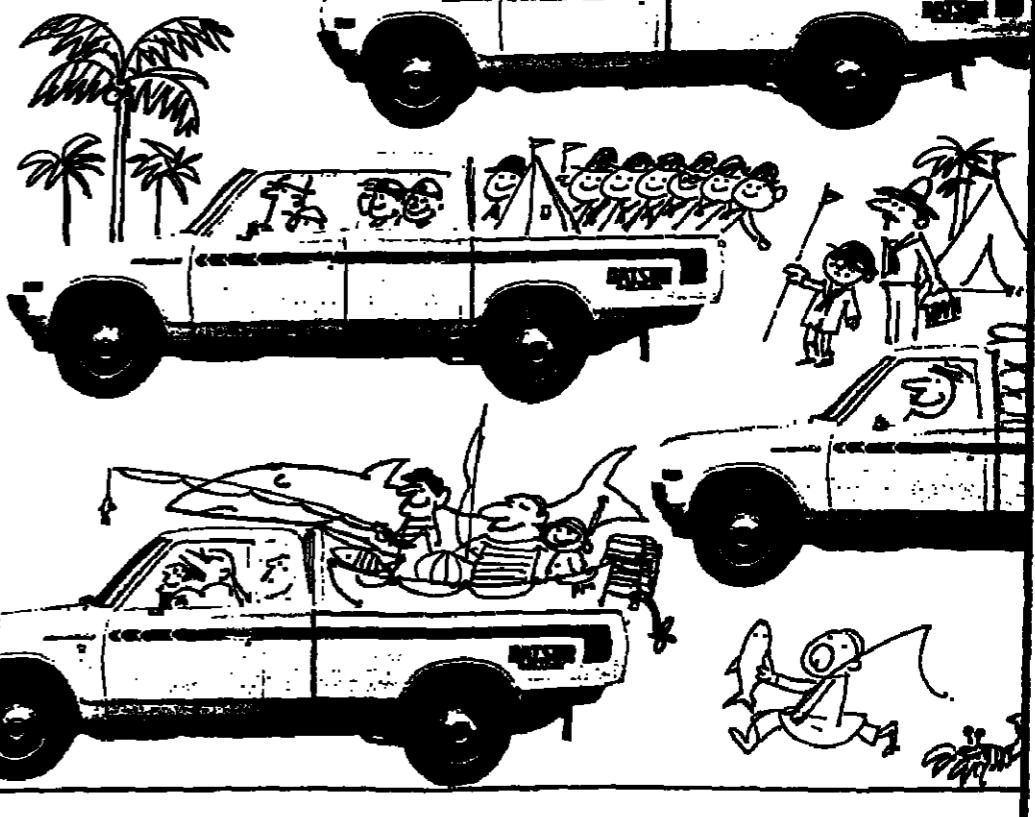
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Vietnam refugees may find haven

KUALA LUMPUR, Dec. 10 (AP) — The United States, Malaysia, Thailand and several other countries have worked out a long-term formula for solving the problems posed by indochinese refugees senior American and Malaysian officials said Sunday.

The plan is to be discussed at the U.N. Conference on Refugees opening in Geneva

Monday where American and Malaysian officials are confident it will have smooth sailing.

Malaysia is prepared to be a "staging post" for "boat people" streaming out of Indochina.

The half-way house, to be managed by the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR), would be a camp where refugees picked up along the coast could be accommodated briefly.

For Malaysia to implement such a staging post there must be a guarantee from the Western nations that every refugee who lands would be taken away and no "residual refugees" would remain in Malaysia, the officials said.

The refugees would be taken quickly to a "processing center" somewhere in the Pacific. Guam has been suggested by Malaysia, but because of the high cost of housing the re-

gues in Guam and its distance from Southeast Asia a closer location may be sought, the officials said.

They added that a Western nation might offer a lightly populated island in the Pacific for the purpose. At the processing center, Western nations and others would be given no time limit for interviewing and selecting refugees for permanent settlement, the officials said.

At the Geneva conference Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore and other southeast Asian countries which are the "front-line states" where the refugees go first will ask for an increased intake of refugees by the West.

The U.S. delegation announced two weeks ago that America will nearly double its quota to 50,000.

The new increase to 21,500 will be "boat people," most of whom will come from Malaysia, the officials said.

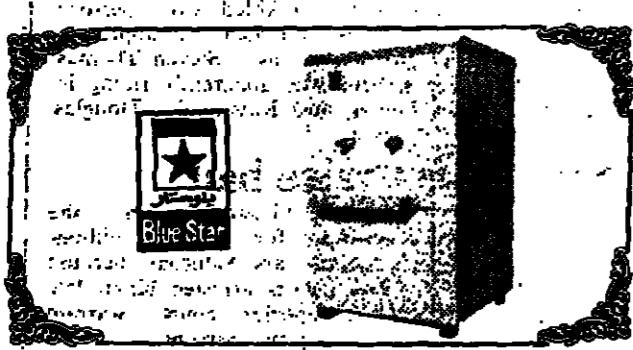
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FROM HERE TO THE WEST: These young boys will soon be leaving the refugee camps under a new plan to channel the flow of boat people through Malaysia to Western nations.

Cites Cambodia situation

Bangkok puts military on alert

BANGKOK, Dec. 10 (AP) — Thailand's armed forces were Sunday reported on a state of alert amid concern at developments in neighboring Cambodia's border war with

Vietnam.

Vietnam has moved most of its 40,000-man force in Laos to the Laotian-Cambodian border, the "Bangkok Post" reported Sunday.

Vietnam called the story "malicious and untrue."

The Thai supreme military commander, Gen. Serm Na Nakohn, was quoted as saying the alert was ordered as a precautionary measure.

He said there was grave concern over military intelligence reports of the worsening situation inside Cambodia.

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China, Viet report gunboat battles

BANGKOK, Dec. 10 (AP) — Vietnam said Sunday its naval patrol boats had fought a sea engagement with Chinese vessels off the coast of northern Vietnam.

It was believed to be the first reported clash at sea between the two communist neighbors, although Hanoi had previously accused China of violating its territorial waters.

China's official Xinhua News Agency reported earlier Sunday that two Chinese fishing boats were attacked by Vietnamese vessels in the Gulf of Tonkin Saturday, and that one fisherman was killed.

A voice of Vietnam broadcast, monitored in Bangkok, said five Chinese vessels Saturday morning surrounded a number of Vietnamese fishing boats off Quang Ninh Province and opened fire, causing damage to the small boats.

After several warnings, Vietnamese patrol boats in the area, about 120 kilometers northeast of Hanoi, opened fire in retaliation and drove the Chinese back to their waters, the radio said.

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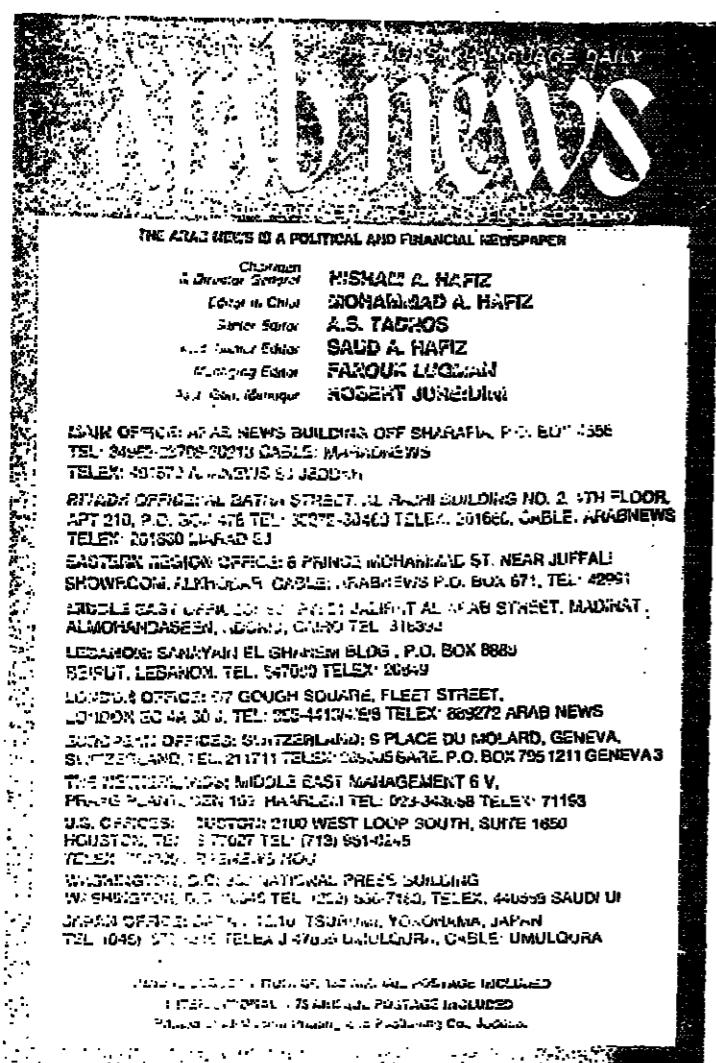
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CRUCIAL TEST

On Sunday, the news from Iran quoted Western diplomats as saying of "spies" and "bloodbath" on the eve of massive anti-Shah demonstrations in Tehran. Now it would appear that these reports were exaggerated, and that the government of Ayatollah Khomeini is facing a crucial test.

The forces lined up in the streets of Tehran Sunday—mullahs and clerics demonstrating political grievances on a religious basis, and soldiers marshaled to defend a royalist or a royalist-like government that was compelled to resort to the military in a bid to restore stability. Neither began in the scuffle of politics.

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Spied on the streets of Sunday, those in Iran said that is still the first priority, and both of these forces should consider their proper place in a society now badly in need of their help.

Gen. Gholamreza Asgari, the current prime minister, made a major speech last week assuring the opponents of the Shah that when he said the country's non-Islamic laws would be removed "to conform with Islamic principles" and that the Ayatollah would be consulted in the process.

Consultation is the proper role for Iran's religious leadership, and a reform of non-Islamic laws should provide it with a great deal of work for the good of the country. In light of what has happened in Iran in the last months, it is unimaginable that the Shah would choose to ignore their views. They have proved their point. It is time now for them to turn their energies and their followers to helping rebuild Iran with the moral standards taught in the Koran.

The pace of modernization set in Iran over the last five years did much to dilute the country's moral standards. The corruption and bribery even now under investigation contributed mightily to the disillusionment propelling opponents of the Shah. But it is now clear that the Shah is anxious to make amends, not simply for the sake of his own tenure on the throne, but for the sake of Iran.

In its turn, the military under Gen. Asgari's leadership should keep a close watch of its role in Iranian society. Armies and politics do not mix well. An army's role as guardian of a society against threats from abroad, and insulation from within, is vital to any land.

There is one group of targets that against Iran. Communist terrorism in Iran, from foreign jihadiers, is a proper target for the military to root out. It will not disappear rapidly, even if the majority of the people who demonstrated Sunday were apparently able to keep the agitators from initiating a bloody battle with the troops. Iran, at its weakest moment in decades, needs the military to act with vigilance against the subversion of its northern neighbor, the Soviet Union.

As for Ayatollah Khomeini, he should now withdraw his call for a general strike and allow the recent changes in Iran to take effect. These changes have been remarkably fast, even radical, and Khomeini would do well to reflect on how far his opposition in exile has come in the 15 years since he was born out of the country. His political allies are free and able to work with Gen. Asgari's government to implement an orderly transition of Iran's succession. Should he continue his call for a general strike, the Shah for Iran's defeat will not rest with the Ayatollah, but with the white-bearded Ayatollah.

UNIFIL and Israel

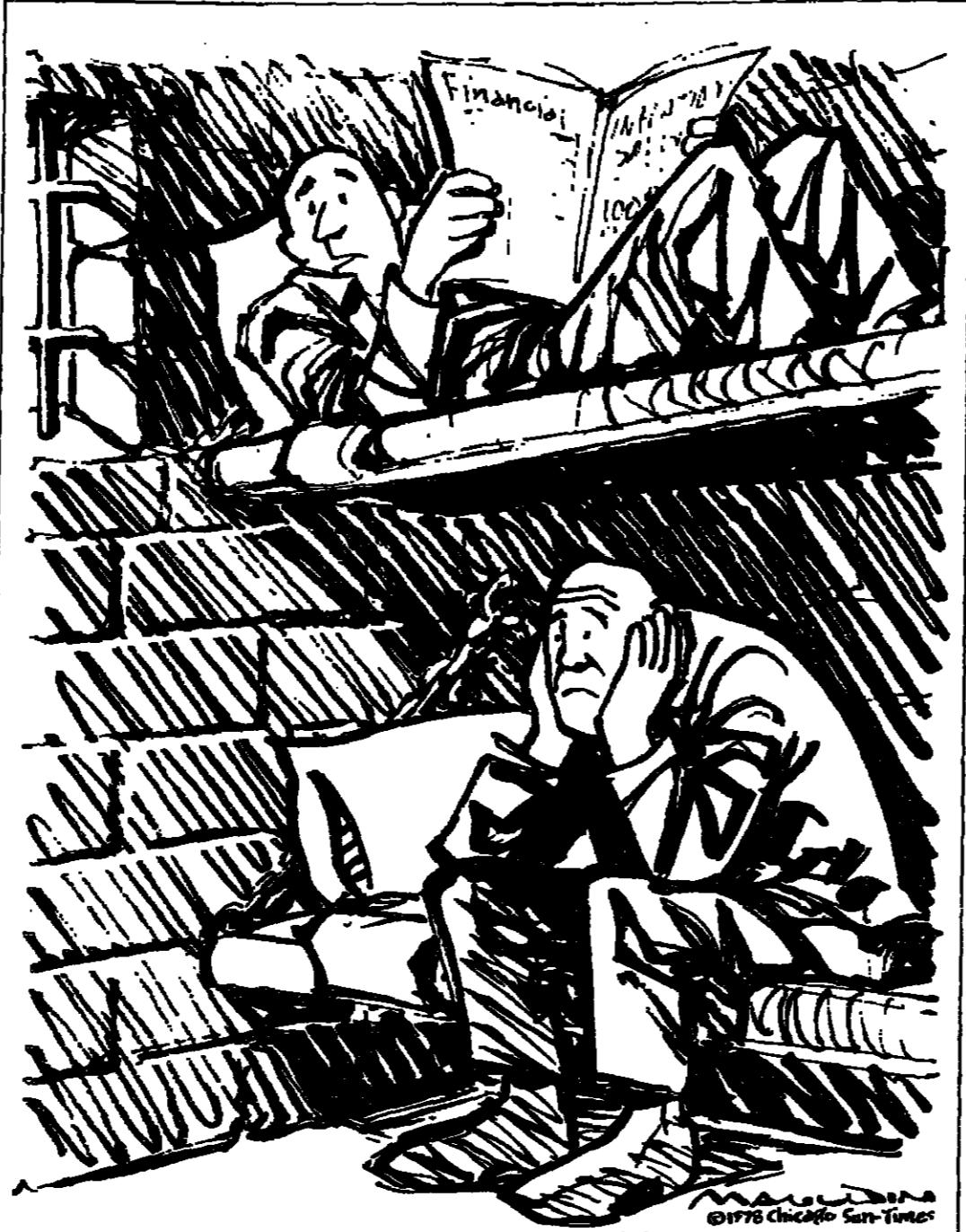
NAQOURA (UPI)—When Lebanon's 10-year-old independence from the Israeli border was invaded by Israel this year, the United Nations was dispatched to return the area to the sovereignty of Lebanon.

The UN's last effort to make up for its failure to stop Israeli incursions into Lebanon, including its largely based on Erskine's report.

The Israeli government does not conceal its support of the rebels, arguing that the UN force has proven incapable of halting Palestinian infiltration across Israel's border.

The UN's commandos—those who want to be called "the UN's commandos" — are disturbed by the presence of the Israeli checkpoints at each entrance to the U.N.'s coastal headquarters here in the southernmost corner of the country.

One of the main checkpoints set up two weeks ago on the coastal highway south of the U.N. headquarters is "a threat to our operations," UNIFIL commander Gen. Emmanuel Erskine said. His attempts to negotiate its removal have been unsuccessful.



"Ten more years and our bank loot won't be worth digging up."

The boat people

By Brian Eads

BANGKOK —

While Malaysia was beefing up its coastal defenses against unwanted Vietnamese refugees with 10 more naval fast patrol boats, a Thai spotter plane scoured the Gulf of Thailand for the 57-foot boat ET-702, with the object of inviting it to land.

Earlier, when the 363 Vietnamese sought refuge at a Thai port they were refused asylum, given food and water, and towed out into international waters.

By the time the spotter located them, and a Thai naval patrol boat threw them a line, the end of the about-turn. They'd heard Vietnamese had already fathomed on the BBC's World Service that West Germany was offering them homes. In a few days they'd be on their way.

Their position highlights the acrimonious debate surrounding the massive seaborne exodus from Vietnam. Why, or even how, they are leaving, is not really at issue. This, to a great extent, is known.

Life in socialist Vietnam is harsh, and promised to become harsher still. The quickening pace of "socialist" transformation and collectivization is thwarting entrepreneurs. A sequence of droughts and floods means severe shortages and food rationing. The young face the prospect of compulsory military service, and possible death or mutilation on the Cambodian border. The skilled and educated of the former Saigon regime are finding rehabilitation a deadeningly slow process.

What is on offer for most is a life of ill-rewarded pioneer farming in the "new economic zones." Mistakenly or not, South Vietnamese in increasing numbers are preferring the uncertainties of the South China Sea.

Vietnam has neither the means, nor the will, to stop them. The coastline is long and ill-policed, often, it seems, by corruptible officials. The people leaving are bitter, indigent, left-overs of the former regime's American-financed affluence.

What matters is where the "boat people" are going, and how soon. If this question can be answered to the satisfaction of countries like Thailand and Malaysia — now playing host to some 45,000 boat people, as well as Thailand's 133,000 land people — dramas like that of the freighter Hai Hong need not be repeated.

These countries, and their neighbors like Singapore, Indonesia and the Philippines, argue that they cannot offer permanent homes, and even the long "temporary" accommodation of refugees is costly, disruptive and unacceptable.

They are developing countries diligently fighting population booms, suffering heavy unemployment, and growing landlessness among the rural peasantry. Refugees push up prices. Often conditions in camps are better than in surrounding villages and natives grow resentful.

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Remote and mysterious Zafar Dhibin

By Anne Chadwick
SANA'A—Remote, mysterious and spectacularly beautiful, the fortress-village of Zafar Dhibin rests with the lure of history high in the mountains of North Yemen. Parts of it date back eight centuries, while other parts have disappeared in the warfare of the 1960s.

Zafar Dhibin lies about two and a half hours' drive northeast of Sana'a. One follows the Saadah road to Raydah before turning northeast off the track into the Qa Hays for a rough, basalt ride of about 27 kilometers. Dhibin lies on the left, at kilo 25, tucked in a valley between Jabal Goonah and Jabal Zarwah. Then, just ahead to the left, a minaret can be seen rising out of the mountain. This is Zafar Dhibin. From here, it is better first to ask directions to the village of Hadira, a little village at the foot of the mountain. From Hadira, it is a steep climb on foot of about 45 minutes to the main mosque.



The courtyard arches of one of Zafar Dhibin's mosques

It rests just over 320 meters above the wadi.

These mountains are weathered, craggy limestone. In some ancient geological age, molten lava spewed forth in places, and you can follow these black tongues of solid rock cascading from the stark, white mountains. The wadi bed became a river of lava.

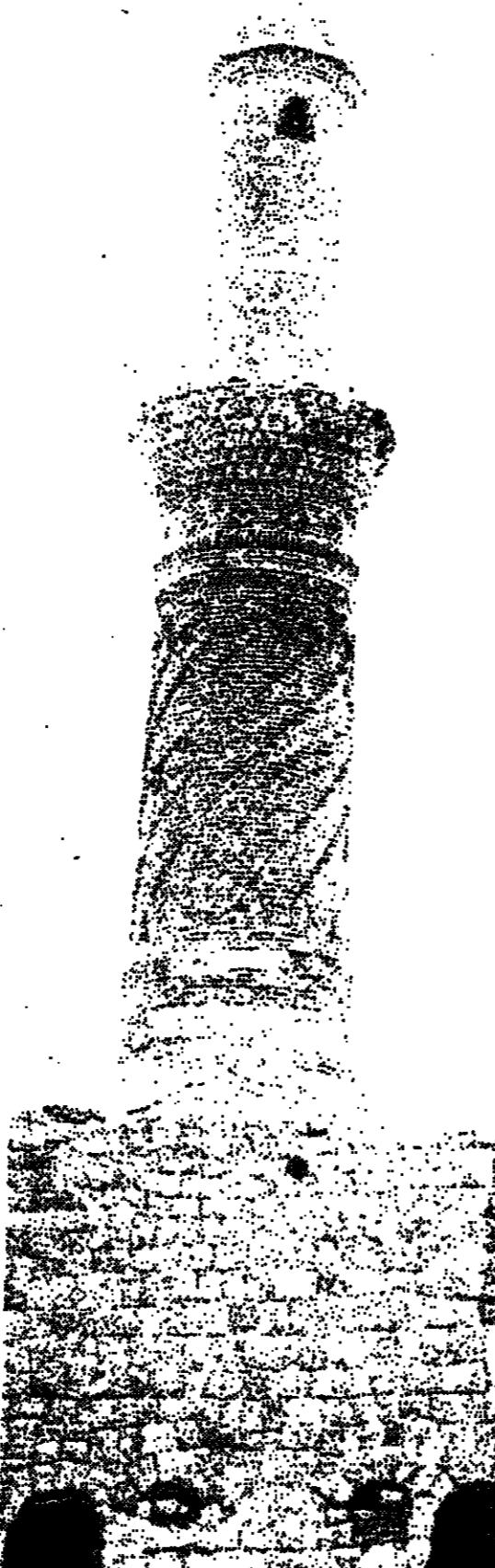
Today, the fertile volcanic soil proves an excellent medium for viticulture. In the summer months, behind rough black basalt walls, you can see a profusion of healthy-looking vines, and taste the sweet grapes.

This is the top of Wadi Jawf, and if one continued east, the path would lead to the villages of Baraqish, Beida and Khibet Saoud. Above, however, is an excellent mosque dating from the 12th century.

Sadly, the whole complex of Zafar Dhibin was badly bombed during the civil war, and most of the villagers never returned to their former houses. It is a visit to a ghost town, whispering of forgotten riches, bygone days.

The only two men that I could find who still live up there with their families could give me little information about Zafar Dhibin. The main mosque is the burial place of Imam al-Mansour and his sons, who they said lived a long, long time ago. In Sana'a I gathered that he was a 12th-13th century Imam who had imported foreign workmen from Baghdad and Persia to decorate the mosques in his mountain stronghold.

As you come up to Zafar Dhibin from Hadira, the first thing you see is the main mosque with its burnt-brick minaret. It is built around a courtyard, which has a somewhat dilapidated air. All along the east and west sides the original columns have collapsed and been repaired by rough stone walling. You can see the original trifoliate arches on the facade of the main prayer room. Much of their design work has been masked by lime plaster, but it is still easy to imagine their former splendor. Once inside the main part,



Minaret at the tomb of Imam Al-Mansour

one is immediately struck by the beauty of the wooden painted ceilings, even though the floor is covered in debris and much of the ceiling has crashed onto it. Brown rivets must cascade down the walls when it rains. Despite the gaping holes in the ceiling, exposing the woodwork to the elements, much of the paintwork is still as fresh looking as if it had been done yesterday. The Mihrab has an elegant, intricate plasterwork design. There are numerous inscriptions round the walls, including some in Kufic.

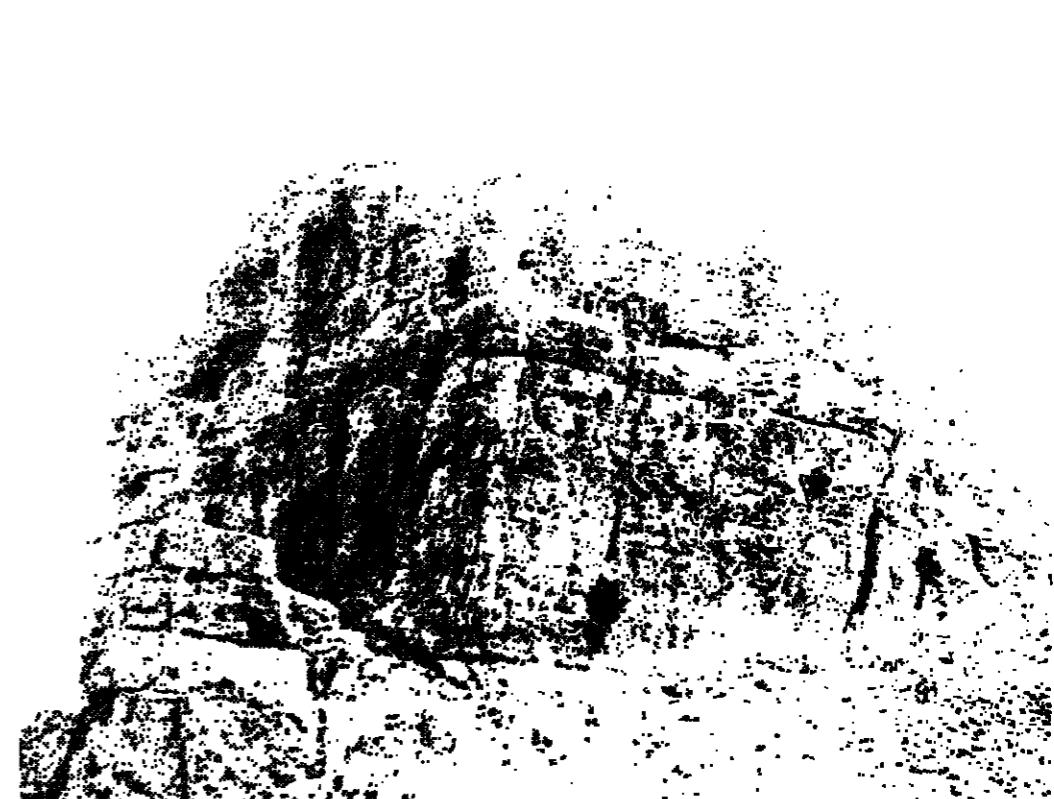
The remains of Imam Mansour and his sons are housed in separate domed shrines, each decorated with intricate plasterwork, too.

This is by no means the extent of the site. Immediately above the mosque is a walled citadel. If you were to skirt round it on the east side and head northwards, you suddenly come across what looks to be a fairy castle ahead, perched high up on a rock. Before you reach the rather precipitous path up to it, you descend into a narrow col between the two higher rocky outcrops. Here there is a complex system of tanks, now no longer used, displaying a former high standard of water conservation and hydraulic knowledge. The feeder channels, which would have relied entirely on run-off in the rainy seasons, can be traced right round to the mountain to the west of the northernmost citadel.

The northern citadel was the Imam's real stronghold, his final resort in times of trouble and siege. Its virtual impregnability emphasizes those troubled centuries of the Zaydi Imamate. Dynasties appeared and disappeared with equal rapidity, just as the centers changed. Anyone who has studied Yemeni medieval history will tell you of the complexities of such research. To most it is a nightmare—the best approach is to accept the fact that there were many Imams and many centers. There was no constant capital city or border like those that we know in the 20th century.

The tank system had a fortification wall and in the vulnerable western feed channel you can still see the stone frame of a small door. On all the surrounding mountains you can see small defensive watch towers. Do not interpret these as signs of a paranoid Imam; they would have been quite necessary.

A French team of archeologists, directed by Dr. Christian Robin, has just completed an extensive program of research on the site. All the Islamic inscriptions have been photographed and recorded; all the elevations of the buildings have been drawn, likewise their plans. The tank system has been closely studied and drawn by the topographer. Now we await their results with impatience and interest.



The northern citadel of Zafar Dhibin



Interior of Imam Al-Mansour's mosque

Tax fraud in Italy

MILAN — The Italian Minister of Finance, Signor Franco Malfatti, is being bombarded with telegrams by overworked tax officials.

They complain they are inundated with demands for repayment of Value Added Tax and they suspect that quite a few of the claims are fraudulent.

One telegram says the Italian Internal Revenue Service is "like a besieged city on the point of being sacked."

Coming on top of charges that millions of Italians liable to VAT are not paying it in the first place, the situation suggests that a people who habitually make a diverting game out of cheating the tax man have found an engaging new way to have a little fun.

The tax collectors are at a great disadvantage. There are simply not enough of them to handle routine business, let alone check on contributors or investigate fraud.

The minister himself can be under no illusions as to what this form of tax evasion is costing the state. A recent official report claimed that at least four million Italians are dodging taxes to the tune of \$24 billion. — (OFNS.)

Despite the disrepair of the main mosque, it is still functional and it you were to camp up in Zafar Dhibin for the night, as we did, you will be awoken at about 3:30 a.m. by the familiar call to prayer, the Muazzin.

Keypad timetable

By Andrew Wilson

LONDON — An airline executive has come up with an idea that could make printed air timetables a thing of the past. Instead, travellers will get all the information they need at the touch of a button.

After years of working in the travel trade (with the French airline UTA) Maurice Minzly has founded a company in London with a license to transmit travel information on the U.K. Post Office's Prestel videotext system.

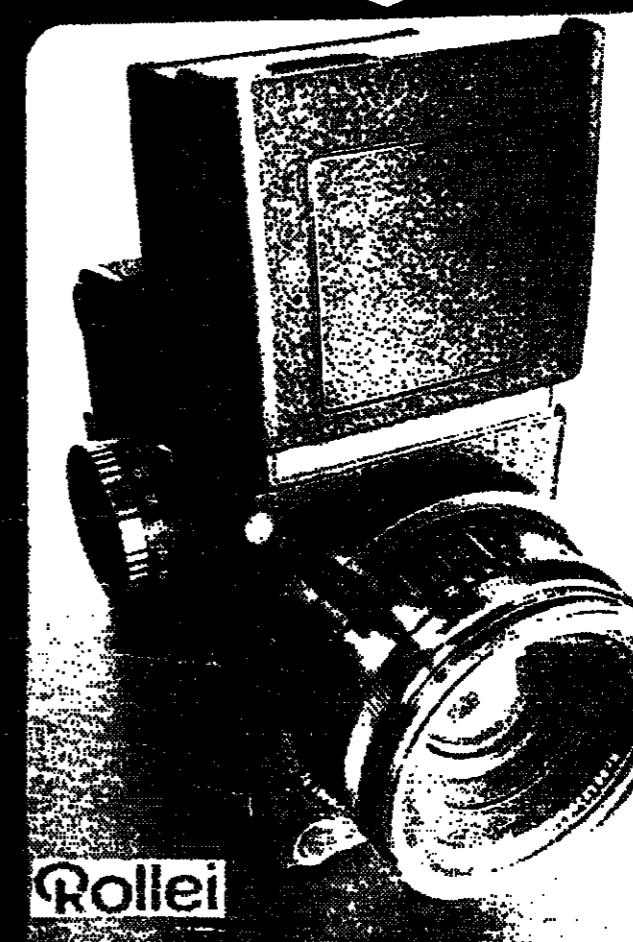
Due to start operation in the New Year, Prestel uses a modified television set, a telephone line and a simple keypad to give users instant access to a huge store of information in a central computer.

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N. Korean breaks 1st record

China dominates games with 8 golds

BANGKOK, Thailand, Dec. 10 (AP) — North Koreans broke one Asian games weightlifting record and tied another Sunday as they broke a temporary mainland Chinese monopoly on gold medals on the games' second day.

The Chinese had won the first six medals of the games and then won two more in gymnastics after North Korean Han Kyung-si, world record holder for the snatch, lifted a total of 235 kilograms in the 52-kilogram class. He broke the mark of 223.5 set by Iran's M. Nassiri in the 1974 Iranian Games.

Han snatched 105 kilograms and tried to break his own world mark of 109.5 but failed three times trying to lift 110 kilograms. He jerked 130 kilograms.

Then in the 56-kilogram class, teammate Yang Eu-yung lifted 250 kilograms, tying the mark set in 1974 by Japan's Kenkichi Ando.

The Chinese, who had won the games' first two golds in men's gymnastics Sunday night, quickly picked up four more in shooting Sunday.

So Chih-po, defending champion from the 1974 Asian Games, scored 560 of a possible 600 in free pistol competition, and led the Chinese to a team victory with a 2182 total to 2132 for Thailand and 2123

for Japan.

Chinese woman shooter Pang Li-chin won the 10-meter air rifle competition with 383 of a possible 400 and in the team gold medal competition, China had 1514 to 1494 for North Korea.

China frustrates Kingdom with speed, tight defense

BANGKOK, Dec. 10 (UPI) — China scored in the opening minutes to edge a frustrated Saudi team, 1-0, in the qualifying round of soccer action at the Asian Games Sunday night while favored Iraq posted a late winner to beat Qatar, 2-1, and Malaysia upset India, 1-0.

Chinese defender Chih Shan-pin capped an intricate four-player passing move in the seventh minute with a thundering right-footed shot from the edge of the penalty area that left Saudi goals Salim Marwan helpless.

The Saudis, who were favored with Iraq to advance from Group B and were considered dark horses for the gold medal, never took control in the first half.

China's lack of international experience has made it an unknown quantity in the games, but it unleashed a fast but deliberate offense and a swarming tight defense. The young Saudi team tried desperately for the equalizer using the long through ball favored by European teams but the tight-marking Chinese kept it at bay.

Sweeping back into the attack the Chinese repeatedly worked the ball into the penalty box, forcing Marwan to make three brilliant diving saves at the feet of oncoming forwards to prevent certain goals.

Forward Ahmad Al-Saghir led the Saudi attack, just missing with several blistering shots—the last coming just minutes before the final whistle.

In what was an unlucky day for the Kingdom, the Saudi table tennis team lost 5-0 to Indonesia and the basketballers, who launched the Games with a victory, lost to South Korea, 101-70.

Gilmore gives Bulls 5th straight win

NEW YORK, Dec. 10 (AP) — Artis Gilmore scored 28 points and grabbed 18 rebounds, leading the Chicago Bulls to their fifth consecutive National Basketball Association victory, a 101-96 decision over the New York Knicks Saturday night.

Gilmore shot one point less Friday night when, helped by 11 fourth-quarter points from Reggie Theus, the Bulls withstood a late charge from the Portland Trail Blazers for a 100-99 victory.

The Blazers lost again Saturday night, Calvin Murphy scored 16 points in the last quarter to ignite a Houston rally and victory for the Rockets, 116-110. Houston beat New Orleans, 110-106, Friday.

In other action Saturday night, Golden State centers Robert Parish and Clifford Ray, playing together in double post, combined for 15 fourth-quarter points to lead the Warriors to a hard-fought 94-84 victory over the Atlanta Hawks.

Atlanta were out of luck in Friday's game. Despite a furious rally by the Hawks, Lon-

Woman jockey killed in U.K.

LONDON, Dec. 10 (AP) — A top woman professional jockey was killed Saturday in what police called a "bizarre riding accident" at Newmarket, the center of English racing. Police said Joy Gibson, 34, was riding a yearling being led out from stables to a paddock for exercising. Her horse reared and threw her, trapping her between itself and a wall. The wall collapsed on top of Mrs. Gibson, who suffered severe head injuries. She died some hours later in a hospital at Cambridge.



GILMORE: Twenty-eight points Saturday and 27 the night before.

nie Shelton made big plays at both ends of the court to help the Seattle SuperSonics stay on top, 107-106.

Charlie Scott's crisp passing Saturday forced Milwaukee into an outside shooting game and Dan Issel's 28-point scoring lifted the Denver Nuggets to a 113-103 win over the Bucks in Denver. For the Bucks too, it was a second defeat in two nights, after Friday's 101-85 pasting by the New Jersey Nets — paced by John Williamson's season high 40 points.

In Kansas City, Ois Birdsong and Bill Robinson combined for 54 points to lead the hot-shooting Kings to a 132-108 win over Detroit Saturday. Detroit lost 114-107 to the

Indiana Pacers in Friday's game, as rookie Rick Robey and guard Ricky Sobers combined to score 45 points and pull in 26 rebounds.

Bob Dandridge sank two free throws Saturday with 10 seconds to play to give the Washington Bullets a 101-98 victory over Phoenix.

For Washington, victory made up for Friday's shock 108-100 upset by the New Jersey Nets — paced by John Williamson's season high 40 points.

At the bottom of the Central Division, the Cleveland Cavaliers broke a four-game losing streak Saturday night and helped by Campy Russell with 31 points, defeated the Philadelphia 76ers, 115-107.

Connors defeat in German event said pre-arranged

STUTTGART, West Germany, Dec. 11 (UPI) — Vitas Gerulaitis and Ilie Nastase meet in the final of the Frankfurt Cup Sunday. Nastase defeated Jimmy Connors, 6-1, 6-2, in a 45-minute display of brilliant tennis Saturday.

"All you have to do to beat Connors is play tennis," said the Romanian as he came off the court.

Connors appeared angry on court, spitting on the ground and shouting, but off-court was so relaxed about his defeat that spectators and sports commentators suspected a rigged match, with prize money pre-arranged.

Newspaper sport columnists here have argued that the Frankfurt Cup, a three-day tournament between only eight of the top world players, is played purely for advertising value.

A Frankfurt businessman has given around \$100,000 in prize money.

Sugar Ray unbeaten

SPRINGFIELD, Massachusetts, Dec. 10 (AP) — Welterweight showman Sugar Ray Leonard kept his pro boxing record unblemished Saturday, stopping veteran Armando Muniz long-time championship contender, with a barrage of punches thrown with machine gun rapidity 10 the sixth round of a scheduled 10-round.

The Americans won 13 out of 14 points in closing out the set, and extended it to 18 out of 19 to go 1-0 up in the next.

Cox held his serve to halt the Americans' streak at five games in a row, only for Smith and



DIMMING HOPES: It was sunshine and smiles Friday when Britain's Davis Cup team of (left to right) David Lloyd, Buster Mottram, John Lloyd and Mark Cox went on a training run at Palm Springs but after Saturday's heavy defeat in doubles the team faces a desperate task.

In Davis Cup

U.S. pair shows Britons little mercy

PALM SPRINGS, California, Dec. 10 (R) — Stan Smith and Bob Lutz outclassed Mark Cox and David Lloyd, 6-2, 6-2, 6-3, Saturday to send the United States into a 2-1 lead over Britain in the Davis Cup final.

The British faced the formidable task of having to win both reverse singles matches Sunday to take home the trophy for the first time in 41 years.

Smith, a former Wimbledon champion, and his aggressive partner were in command throughout on a sunny, mild day at the Mission Hills Country Club, bursting to victory in just one hour 14 minutes.

Lloyd rarely troubled the Americans with his serve, while Cox seemed nervous and found the net more often than not with his volleys and ground strokes.

Smith, by contrast, was in supreme command throughout. He surrendered only one point on his serve in the first two sets, and was ably supported by Lutz around the court.

At the net the long-legged Smith always seemed to be in the right place to put away the few shots that the British pair managed to send over.

In the first set, the U.S. pair went 3-2 ahead on four serves from Smith, then Cox was broken to love for the breakthrough and Lloyd failed to hold serve two games later to put the home team one set up after just 19 minutes.

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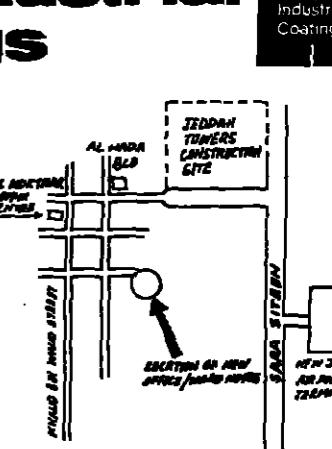
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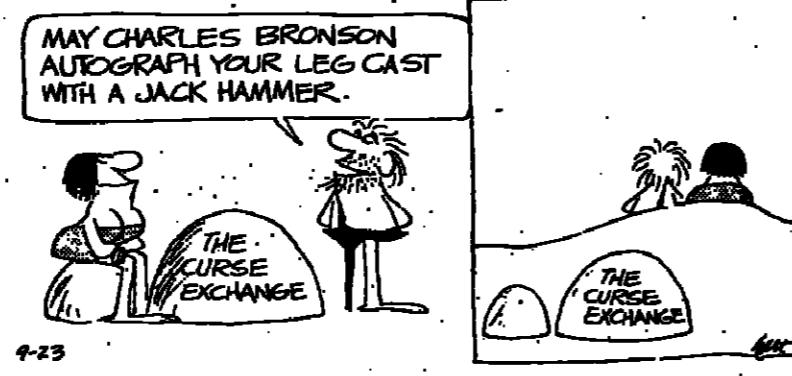
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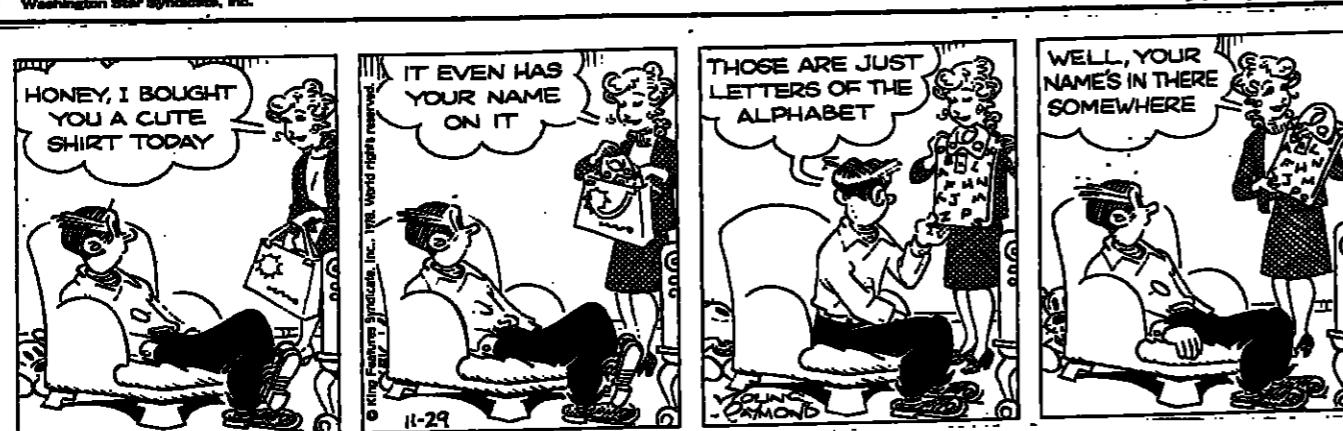
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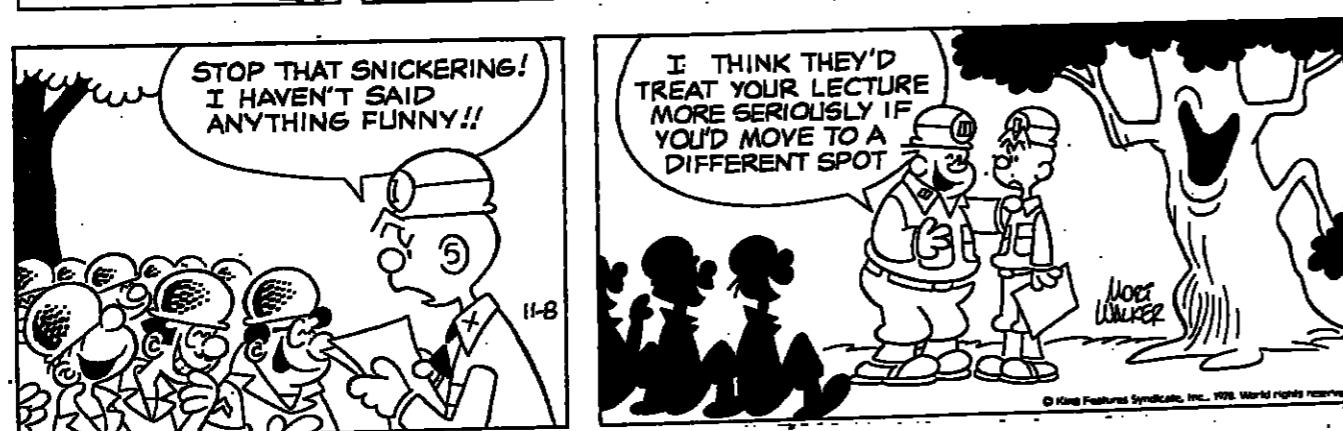
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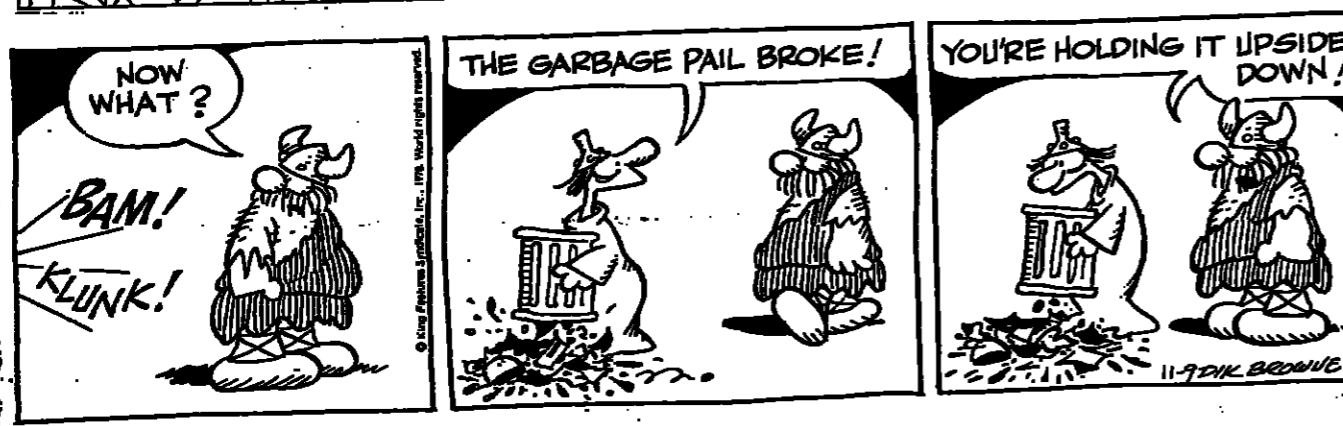
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PRAYER TIMES

MONDAY	Fajr	Ishraq	Dhuhr	Asr	Maghreb	Isha
Mecca	5:27	6:53	12:19	3:25	5:42	7:12
Medina	5:34	6:59	12:21	3:21	5:37	7:07
Nejd	4:59	6:29	11:47	2:48	5:04	6:54

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3:30 Children's Show
4:50 Jokes Wild
5:30 Wide World Of Sports
6:02 Waltons
6:51 Wel. Bk. Kotter
7:25 Safety Film
7:26 Police Woman
8:16 That's My Mama
8:41 Second Run

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WEATHER

Forecast for the next 24 hours: Generally fine weather will prevail throughout the Kingdom, with concentration of clouds over the northern region and parts of the central region and a possible light shower. In thick patches of clouds over the western region and highlands will offer chances of rainfall and occasional thunderstorms. Surface winds will blow southerly over the central and northern regions and northerly over the western region. Sea conditions will be calm to moderate in the territorial waters.

Sunday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Mecca	30	23	Jizan	31	23
Jeddah	32	21	Hail	19	07
Riyadh	27	18	Tabuk	20	07
Dhahran	26	17	Rafha	18	09
Medina	29	18	Yanbu	27	18
Taif	25	11	Abha	20	05

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2:00 Opening
2:01 The Holy Quran
2:05 Gems of Guidance
2:10 S.A. — A Daily Chronicle
2:15 Music
2:30 On Islam

2:45 Under the Limelight
2:55 Music
3:00 NEWS
3:10 Press Review
3:15 Music
3:20 Music-Machines
3:50 Close Down

10:15 NEWS
10:25 S.A. — A Daily Chronicle

10:30 Selection of Music
11:00 World of Machines
11:10 Press Review
11:15 The Stevie Wonder Story
11:45 Egyptian Saudi Arabians
12:00 Islamic Contributions
12:15 In the Quiet
12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams

12:55 Close Down

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8:00 News Roundup:
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8:30 Dateline
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9:00 Special English:
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Making of a Nation
News Summary
9:30 Music USA:
(Standards)
10:00 News Roundup:
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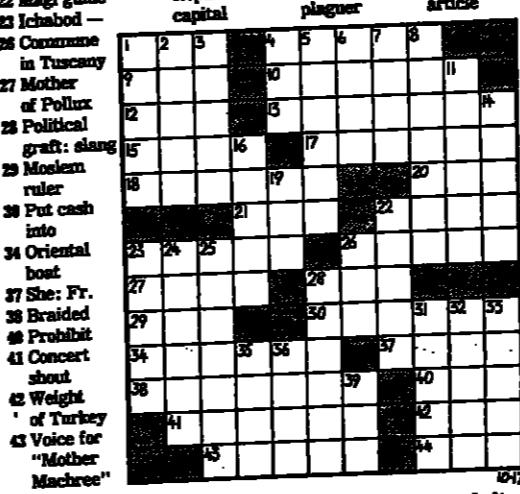
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4 Spain's — del Sol
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12 Shepherd to Bethlehem
13 Serving vehicle
15 Repair condition
18 Walk upon
20 Baker
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21 in medias res
22 Magi guide
23 Ishabod
26 Commune in Germany
27 Mother of Pollex
28 Political graft: slang
29 Modern values
30 Put cash into
34 Oriental boat
37 She: Fr.
38 Braided
39 Prohibit
41 Concert sheet
42 Weight of Turkey
43 Voice for "Mother Machine"

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16 DOWN
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2 Basque headwear
3 Athlete's go-between
4 One o' —
5 Mountain nymph
6 Scrutinize
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♦ 9 5 3 2
♦ —
♦ K 7 4 3

SOUTH
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♦ A Q J
♦ Q A J 6 4
♦ 10 9 8 4

The bidding:
South: West: North: East:
1 NT: Pass: 2 NT: Pass:
3 NT: Pass

Opening lead - two of spades.

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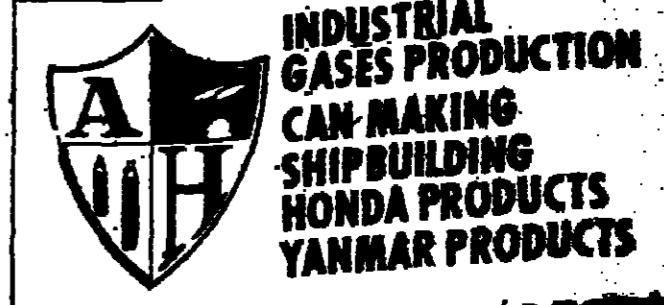
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Nobel laureates awarded prizes, plaudits, checks

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 10 (AP) — Nine Nobel Prize winners received their awards from the hands of the king of Sweden before 1,700 guests and 150 million television viewers in a ceremony here Sunday.

The laureates in physics, chemistry, medicine, literature and economics, from the United States, Britain, Switzerland and Russia, were handed heavy gold medals, diplomas and checks.

The prize winners this year share about \$825,000. But owing to inflation that has only one third of the purchase power of the first Nobel Prizes awarded in 1901 of 150,000 kroner each. This year the sum in each of the five categories had swelled to 725,000 kroner (\$165,000).

The presentation ceremony went according to a schedule followed for decades and carefully rehearsed "in shirtsleeves" earlier Sunday.

The chairman of the Nobel Foundation, Sune Bergstrom, in an opening address described dynamite inventor Alfred Nobel as "a romantic idealist in the spirit of his time, but also a realist with a restlessly creative intellect to the end of his life."

First to be honored were the winners of the physics prize, ranked first in the will of Nobel who bequeathed his vast fortune to scientists and writers "who have benefitted mankind most."

One half of the physics prize was shared by two American

radio astronomers, Arno A. Penzias and Robert W. Wilson, who both work at the Bell Telephone laboratories in New Jersey.

The other half was given to Soviet physicist Pyotr Kapitsa, oldest of the laureates at 84.

Peter Mitchell, a 58-year old British chemist, received the chemistry prize for "bioenergetic" studies of the chemical processes responsible for energy supply and energy transfer of all living cells.

The three medicine prize winners were Werner Arber, 49-year-old professor at Basle University, who shared the prize with two Americans — Daniel Nathans, 50, of Wilmington, Delaware, and New Yorker Hamilton Smith, 47, both microbiologists at Johns Hopkins University Medical School in Baltimore, Maryland.

U.K. team empty-handed on El Salvador kidnaps

LONDON, Dec. 10 (AP) — A British parliamentary delegation investigating human rights in El Salvador returned to London Sunday with no news on the whereabouts of two kidnapped British bankers.

But the three-man delegation, led by Lord Chinnis, said they had collected evidence of alleged torture and repression in the Central American Republic, run by the military-backed government of President Carlos Humberto Romero.

But they learned nothing of the fate of the abducted Ian Massie, 46, of Edinburgh, and Michael Chatterton, 45, of London.

Massie is local branch manager of the Bank of London and Montreal, a subsidiary of Lloyds', and Chatterton is his assistant. They were abducted Nov. 30, three months after their arrival.

"Der Spiegel" quoted the report as saying the arms were delivered through a Hamburg firm known as "Weapons and Equipment."

According to the magazine, the firm also delivered "a sample of goods worth 1,750 marks to the People's Republic of China" during the time of the Ussuri River border dispute between Moscow and Peking.

"Der Spiegel" also says the report tells how the BND sent weapons to India and Pakistan



IN THE AIR: Tewfik Al-Migren, Saudi full-back, and China's Jung Chih-hang duel for the ball Sunday night at the Asian Games in Bangkok. (Story page 9)

'Der Spiegel' alleges

Bonn security armed all sorts

HAMBURG, Dec. 10 (AP) — West Germany's intelligence agency, semi weapons abroad during the 1960s to a wide range of causes and countries

including both sides in the Biafran war, South Africa, Rhodesia, Jordan and the Greek junta, "Der Spiegel" reported Sunday.

There was no immediate comment from the government.

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Leaner government was aim of purges, Neto tells crowd

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 10 (UPI) — Angolan President Agostinho Neto said Sunday he abolished the posts of prime minister and deputy prime minister to streamline cumbersome bureaucracy.

South African Radio reported that Neto, speaking at a rally marking the 22nd anniversary of the formation of the ruling Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) in the capital of Luanda, said he would not tolerate interference in the chain of command between himself and the Angolan people.

Neto's speech follows an

ANGOP said Sunday reports

that Neto would abandon his

post to a general appointed to

replace him were "ridiculous and totally false."

Neto said he would be "very

sad indeed" if he were ousted as head of state but that prou-

lems of state needed to be dealt with objectively and without personal considerations.

He criticized the MPLA for not being active in Angola and that "its representation among the people" was poor, the radio said. The government would correct this, he said.

The president also said some

government officials would be sent to rural areas from Luanda to streamline the government and improve contact with the people.

He was in favor of a moderate degree of private enterprise in the country and that

the people would not clash with the MPLA's nationalist policies.

Filipino miners asking end to martial law, strike ban

MARSHAL law was declared martial law in the Philippines and full restoration of the right to strike.

The Confederation of Mine Workers issued a resolution approved by 250 delegates to a convention of representatives of about 20 mining unions and federations.

The resolution urged the government to lift martial law "at least in those areas of the country where there exists peace and order in the judgment or discretion" of President Ferdinand Marcos.

Also Sunday, it was reported that in a southern Philippines town police had reimposed a curfew and ordered miners who must venture out in emergencies to carry lanterns.

Marcos declared martial law

in September 1972 and banned strikes in "vital industries" such as public utilities or export industries.

Marcos said recently he would consider ending the emergency after the Muslim separatist rebellion in the southern Philippines had been settled.

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London link

Jeddah investment service launched today

Special to Arab News

JEDDAH, Dec. 10 — Saudi Arabia's first investment and stock market information service is due to be launched here Monday night.

The service will for the first

time put Saudi investors and businessmen in daily, up-to-the-minute contact with developments on the London Stock Exchange and on other key world financial markets, according to its founders.

The company organizing the service, Saudi Research and Investment Ltd., believes that it will provide a new source of capital for international markets from both Saudi and

expatriate investors here.

And it calls the service, "placing Saudis and foreign residents firmly within the square mile of the City of London."

The company says that, beginning Monday, it will be possible to walk into its offices on Medina Road here and study share movements on the major world markets displayed on a large mechanical price board.

Buying and selling orders may also be given at the office, and will be sent to London by teletypewriter, the company said.

According to its founders, the heart of the new operation

is a direct telex link with London installed after 12 months of detailed planning. This service transmits and receives simultaneously, and is one of the few established in Saudi Arabia for commercial purposes.

The London end of the teletypewriter is in the offices of stock brokers Rowe Rudd and Co.

The directors are Hisham Ali Hafiz and Mohamed Ali Hafiz, two brothers who publish "Arab News" in Jeddah along with the Arabic daily "Asharq al Awsat" and the weekly, "Saudi Business."

A third brother, Abdul Fath

Hafiz, who has worked with Petromin and the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency, has been appointed general manager.

Saudi Research and Investment also has a representative in Geneva. This will enable the company to provide services for Saudis visiting Switzerland.

In addition to price and dealing services, Saudi Research and Investment plans to offer complete portfolio management and to give corporate advice to British and foreign firms planning to become established in Saudi Arabia.

Vance

Vance's projected strategy is to ask Sadat to accept the end of 1979 as a target for Palestinian elections. He would also have to get Begin's approval to the compromise.

Egypt has also questioned another treaty article governing demilitarization of the Sinai after it is relinquished by Israel and the stationing of U.N. troops there.

While not challenging the peacekeeping measures, Egypt wants the language revised to show more clearly that its

sovereignty over the area would be intact.

U.S. officials do not consider

the dispute to be a major one.

Sadat received Vance on a day when Begin was in Oslo receiving the Nobel peace prize he shares jointly with Sadat.

Cabinet

It said that King Khalid and Crown Prince Fahd had made clear "their deep interest in such projects and urged all the authorities concerned to spare no effort executing the works connected with them."

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From page one

Sadat

we will not tire or despair, we will not lose faith, and we are confident that, in the end, our aim will be achieved."

The president made an early tribute to President Carter who engineered the Camp David accords.

"Recognition is due to a man of the highest integrity:

Lebanon

tal Sunday. Among them were national Liberal Party leader Camille Chamoun and Phalange Party leader Pierre Gemayel.

Former Lebanese President Suleiman Frangieh Saturday sent a cable to Shaer expressing regret and condemnation over the incident.

Former Premier Rashid Solleh, former minister Majid Arslan, and Shafiq Wazan, chairman of the Higher Islamic Council, have also expressed regret over the incident.

President Jimmy Carter whose signal efforts to overcome obstacles in the way of peace deserve our keenest appreciation," he said.

He concluded his speech by asking his audience "to join me in a prayer that the day may soon come when peace will prevail, on the basis of justice and the recognition of the rights of all peoples to shape their own life, to determine their own future, and to contribute to building a world of prosperity for all mankind."

and forces inside and outside the country should respect this firm decision...All should submit to the unanimous and firm determination of the people which is the best guarantee to build a free, progressive and independent Iran on the basis of democracy and precepts of Islam."

The official Iranian news agency in a brief despatch on Sunday's event, said "around 400,000 of Tehran's citizens marched in the city to mark the religious mourning period and human rights day. Pairs said marches were also held in all of Iran's provinces to commemorate the mourning days, and no violence was reported from any part of the country."

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